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Letters

Welcome Back Joe

Glad to see Joe Fitzpatrick back in *The Sun*.

Now we can take our house off the market.

Will & Barbara Smith

No Storage Facility in CV

We oppose project no. 980301, a proposed storage facility at Mid-Valley for the following reasons:

1) By completion of Phase I and II this facility will cover 80,000 sq.feet with a proposed 200 vehicles (400 passes in and out) using it daily. These vehicles include commercial trucks, U-hauls, trailers with boats and RV's of all sizes.

2) This project calls for joining 3 parcels of land into 1 and re-zoning some of that land from light commercial to heavy commercial.

3) Traffic concerns are enormous! This further impacts Carmel Valley Rd. and unlike other storage sites uses residential streets for entrance and exit

4) This violates the intent and specific wording of the Carmel Valley Master Plan to maintain the "rural residential character of the area."

5) This project is offered at a time when he Board of Supervisors is considering a moratorium on Valley development due to the loss of the Hatton Canyon freeway (as directed by the C.V. Master Plan).

We feel that a storage facility at Mid-Valley is ill-advised. The traffic alone would endanger those pedestrians and drivers who reside and shop in the Mid-Valley area.

We are urging other concerned Valley residents to join the opposition to this proposed project. For further information call Bill Alioto at 636-3035.

Nicolas and Sharon Wood

News Briefs

Kiwanis Sets Deadline For Fiesta Golf

A deadline of July 15 for all entries for the 3rd Annual Carmel Valley Fiesta Celebrity Golf Tournament has been announced by Bruce Michaels, chairman of the organizing committee for the sponsoring Kiwanis Club of Carmel Valley.

The tournament will be held Aug. 2 at the Carmel Valley Ranch Resort.

Michels said he expects a full field of 144 golfers for the four person, handicapped scramble which will include two-dozen celebrities and 18 young golfers representing six of the area's leading youth golf organizations.

The event, which kicks-off the 10th Annual Carmel Valley Fiesta celebration in the village (Aug. 6-8), will benefit the Foundation for Monterey County Free Libraries for its 17 community branches, including the Carmel Valley library.

The tournament also heralds the return to golfing circles of Lou Russo, who guided the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am to its current lofty status as executive director from 1985-99. Russo has been invited to serve as the Tournament's Honorary Chairman and will be feted during a reception at the conclusion of play.

The entry fee of $150 includes prizes, amenities and the awards reception which will be emceed by Carmel Valley's Hunter Finnell, Sports Director of News Channel 46 (KION.)

For additional information, call Bruce Michels at 626-1512.

SPCA Adoptions and Clinics

The SPCA is offering vaccine clinics in Monterey at the SPCA's Spay and Neuter Clinic on Highway 68 across from Laguna Seca on Friday, June 25 from 11a.m. to 2p.m. A variety of services will be offered including rabies vaccines for $5 per pet, Microchip identification, and flea control products.

The SPCA is also offering off-site adoption services at Carmelita Park at Fifth and Dolores in Carmel every Friday from noon to 3p.m. and at the PetsMart at the Edgewater Shopping Center in Sand City every Saturday from 11a.m. to 3p.m. Most of the animals will have been spayed or neutered and have had their shots, so they will be ready to go to their new home the same day.

For more information call 373-2631.

Women's Club Awards Scholarships

The Carmel Valley Women's Club announced the donation of $1,000 scholarships to the following 1999 graduates of Carmel High School:

Monica Callinan, Cyrstal Westphal, Piper Frodje, to further their education at a college of their choice.

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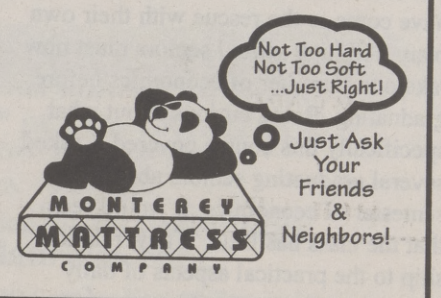

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The Real Future of Money

How Well is the Class of 1999 Prepared?

Story by Barbra Alexander
Illustrations by Carey Crockett

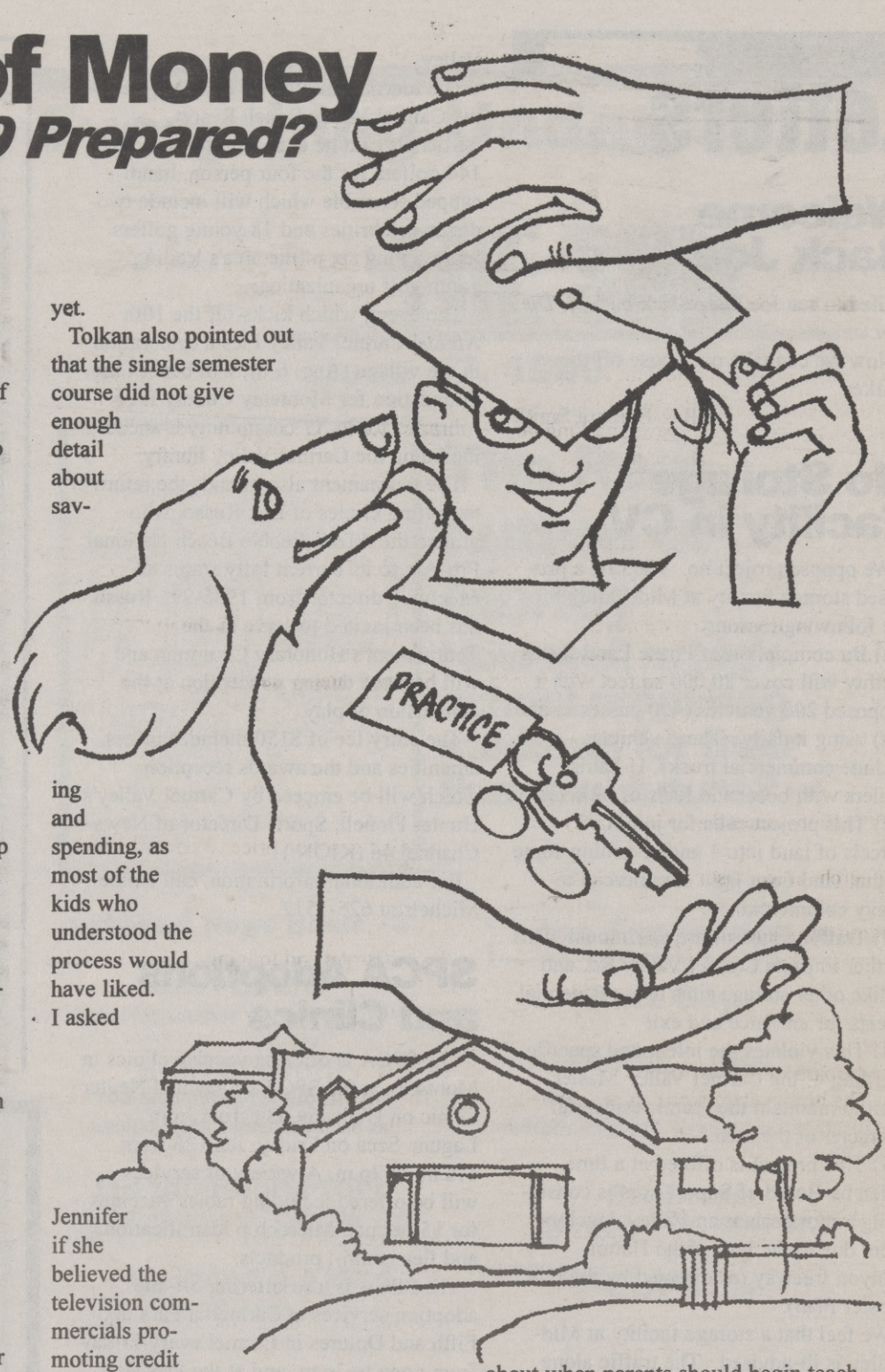
Has it struck you that few people, the younger employees at convenience stores in particular, know how to make change? There is no counting the change back to you, there is only the wad of cash that the register displays, dropped into your hand or spit back from a machine. One cashier did not even make eye contact with her customer, only saying, "there ya go". Have you wondered how and why this came to be? Frustrating as it is on the occasions when the smart cash register is not working properly, this lack of mathematical skill has a greater impact on our social order than we may want to admit.

Perceiving the obvious, that there may be a developing problem on the horizon, our national school districts, as usual, have come to the rescue with their own plan. All high school seniors must now take one semester of economics before graduating. Being curious about what specifically this course covered, I asked several graduating seniors about their semester of economics. It would seem that the class has little, if any, relationship to the practical aspects of daily money management. Of course, no one taught a course on how to make change.

The semester of economics had precious little about being prudent instead of careless with money, and no evidence at all of teaching about earning potential, saving or budgeting, and nothing at all about balancing income with debt. All of the young people I spoke with said that their course consisted of learning how to balance a checkbook and how to pick stocks in which to invest. Each student was allowed a sum of thirty thousand dollars in make-believe funds to invest as they wished. Each picked three stocks, bought, then watched and tracked as their choices peaked or plummeted.

There is nothing wrong with learning about stocks, it just strikes me that this is the tail wagging the dog. These kids don't graduate from school ready to plunk their money into Blue Chips. There are a few practical rungs up the monetary ladder before developing a relationship with a stockbroker.

Of the teens interviewed, clearly the most knowledgeable about personal finances was Jennifer Tolkan, age seventeen and Valedictorian of her graduating class at Monterey High School this year. Jennifer chose three stocks and made quite a bit of mythical money in the high tech industries. But she also says that most of her classmates chose companies to invest in solely by name recognition.



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Jennifer thought that about half the students taking the economics class understood the concepts taught. For her personal financial savvy, she gives much credit to her parents, a CPA and Certified Financial Planner, respectively. But when asked if her parents taught her about money early in her life she thought that it wasn't until she was about thirteen that they started sharing their financial philosophy with her. Early enough apparently, because she has had her own checking account for two years. That along with her savings from babysitting and a part time job as a cashier she now has a small cushion on which to begin her college career in the fall. She says she even knows how to make change. Maybe there is hope out there yet.

Tolkan also pointed out that the single semester course did not give enough detail about saving and spending, as most of the kids who understood the process would have liked. I asked Jennifer if she believed the television commercials promoting credit cards as 'the future of money'. She thought not, since credit cards are not the best way to buy. All right, so the apple didn't fall far from that tree.

Larry Thompson, eighteen and a graduate, felt that if he needed financial guidance he would go straight to his parents and would advise his younger siblings to do the same. Although neither of his parents works in the financial industry, he believed the values they taught him had merit. He also has had his own bank account for two or three years and believes that instant-gratification credit card buying can get you into trouble. Perhaps we can get more young people to reject the thought of a cash-less society and survive the current campaign to sabotage our fiscal independence after all.

Obviously, there is never a guarantee that our children will learn what we try to teach them when it comes to being smart, stable or prudent about their money. However, one thing is certain, they will always emulate the patterns established by their parents.

Jennifer had well thought out opinions about when parents should begin teaching their kids about money. Her feeling was that the earlier the better approach would work well with one caveat. "Teach kids about writing checks, saving and the effect of credit cards in such a way that you integrate the process into your daily life rather than sitting down and trying to teach kids a specific lesson," says Jennifer of her philosophy. What advice would either of these teens have for others? Here is a sampling:

- Save your money because you never know what will happen.
- Many things are appreciated more as you get older, so wait on the 'big ticket' items for a while.
- Plan for your retirement.

As a baby-boomer, it is a bit scary to hear people seventeen and eighteen talk about their retirement as if it were just around the corner. This is like having our very conservative great grandparents reincarnated as our own children. But I suppose that watching the process of big

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Joe FITZPATRICK

Concrete to the Right of Us, Concrete to the Left...

HERE we go again.

A huge 4.8-acre project involving (in the first phase) construction of 517 **storage lockers**, plus outdoor paved parking tarmacs to accommodate monster trucks, big trucks, medium trucks, motor homes, boats, SUVs, etc., in the heart of Mid-Valley is quietly – no, **stealthily** – working its way through the county's approval process.

CHANCES are, you've never heard a word about it. Mum is the developer's favorite word in these matters. But it is to go before the full County Planning Commission in Salinas on June 30 at 11 a.m.

Before that, however, outraged residents of the Mid-Valley area are holding an informational meeting open to everyone Monday from 6 to 7 p.m. at St. Dunstan's Church on Robinson Canyon Road.

AT the latter meeting, **Carl** and **Trish Kauffman** and others will explain the scope and impact of the mammoth project and seek support from other residents in opposing it before the County Planning Commission and, if necessary later, before the Board of Supervisors.

The hippopotamic project would be located between Berwick Drive and Robinson Canyon, and between Carmel Valley Road and Center Street, and – Surprise! – is the brainchild of out-of-state developers (this time from Idaho, we understand)!

PROMOTERS of the staggering project (visualize **FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN** storage lockers surrounded by a sea of concrete parking occupied by massive vehicles of all kinds) are listed as **Jim Field** and **Steve Mirabito** of Field Storage Corp., apparently headquartered in Idaho.

Would this sprawling monument to Portland Cement Co. and the mindset that "Bigness Is Sacred" exacerbate the valley's alarming traffic congestion, noise pollution, exhaust pollution, view pollution and declining quality of life?

WELL, as they say around the halls of government in Salinas:

"Does it matter? It's only the Monterey Peninsula!"

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P.S. – Does the county EVER turn down any prodigious development project on the Peninsula when the "right attorney" is shepherding it through?

We may never know.

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TODAY'S QUOTE ... Andy Rooney:

"When you're in a conversation, keep in mind that you're more interested in what you have to say than anyone else is."

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INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE ... The Beacon gas station at 14 W. Carmel Valley Road in the heart of the village is no longer a gas station but a full-time repair garage!

State law now requires that all underground gasoline tanks at gas stations must be double-lined to help prevent leaks that may pollute subterranean aquifers.

WHEN owners **Geoff Johnston** and **Lance Wheeler** discovered that the cost of replacing their existing tanks with the Mercedes-Benz class double-lined variety would be around $200,000, the full-time garage repair business began to look mighty attractive!

So, they simply had their old tanks removed, filled in the hole and paved it over, providing significantly more space where the gas pumps used to be.

IN ADDITION, they no longer have to deal with the hassles that result from the yo-yoing gasoline prices over which they have no control.

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DANIEL Barduzzi, who has taken over the restaurant and lodgings at Los Laureles Lodge while he waits for completion of the major remodeling project going on at Robles Del Rio Lodge, isn't taking any chances.

The NAME of the restaurant at Los Laureles has been changed and ridiculed in the past few years (**Vanderbilt House of Chow, DuVal's Smokehouse, Muriel's Morsels, Hentschel's Good Eats**, etc.) to such an extent that Daniel is not going to venture into that minefield.

INSTEAD, he has selected a name that is so simple, so clear and so easily understood it is practically bulletproof! The name:

"The Restaurant."

(**IT** has a certain tasteful ring to it.)

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ITINERANT EPICURES ...**Domenico** and **Sol Vastarella**, proprietors of the outstanding Sole Mio Restaurant (all right, Trattoria), have been in Italy all this month scouting out new recipes and taking part in a cooking seminar over there.

They're spending most of their time in Rome and Capri, the latter being where Domenico was born, raised and came from.

THEY are due to return the end of the month, and if they bring back a recipe for an entree superior to Sole Mio's ambrosial Capellini Campagnola, I shall gladly pick up the tab for the last part of their air fare back here!

(I'm speaking of the part between Sand City and Carmel Valley Village. They only need to show me their receipt for that section. Hey, it's my pleasure.)

AT any rate, the trip over all must be very much a sentimental journey for Domenico.

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ALSO visiting his roots in Italia this month is the valley's **Dr. Paul Tocchet** and his wife, who probably will NOT by scouting out new cures for the common cold nor saddle sores, but may very well be sampling some of the entrees there for which the Vastarellas are bringing recipes back here!

And again, maybe not.

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THOM Akeman, whose "Best Ever Guide to the Monterey Peninsula" has been the standard by which all other restaurant guides and what-to-do manuals on this area are measured, is at it again!

He has come out with the **fourth** revised edition of the guide, which first captured shelf space in area bookstores in 1994!

AND it's vintage Akeman – straightforward, provocative, highly opinionated, and a great read!

Unlike the tedious, predictable reviewers for media around here who find EVERY beanery a heavenly gustatorial orgasmic experience (and fries to die for), Akeman calls a spade a spade, and a turkey a turkey!

HIS reviews are never slathered with treacle in order to flatter the restaurant owner into buying advertising in the publication or air time on the station like the . . . oh never mind, you know who we mean.

No, Akeman's purpose is solely to provide honest appraisals of restaurants in the area so that the reader is forewarned, whether positively or negatively, about what to expect before entering any particular eatery.

AS usual, Akeman names what he considers to be the very best restaurants in the area (this time 11 of them), which is an impressive bit of derring-do in itself! They are:

Casanova, Raffaello, Rio Grill and **Robert Kincaid's Bistro**, Carmel; **Monterey's Fish House, Stokes Adobe** and **Fresh Cream**, Monterey; **Pacific's Edge**, Carmel Highlands; **Gernot's Victoria House**, Pacific Grove; **Stillwater Grill**, Pebble Beach, and **Ventana Inn**, Big Sur.

Hard to quarrel with any of those.

HOWEVER, if we were doing it (and we're not), we'd have a difficult time leaving off these five, in no particular order:

Cafe Fina, Monterey; **Fandango**, Pacific Grove; **Sole Mio**, Carmel Valley; and **Flying Fish Grill** and **Porta Bella**, Carmel.

You are left to guess which five on Akeman's list they would replace for OUR list.

ANYWAY, pick up Akeman's newly revised guide at any area book store. It's the most authoritative thing around.

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P.S. – There are at least four other fine restaurants that deserve favorable words here:

Summer House, White Oak Grill and **The Covey** in Carmel Valley, and **Club XIX** in Pebble Beach, but we'll get around to that in the near future.

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Why Have a Mortgage?

By Barbra Alexander

Throughout civilized history being landed meant that you could participate in the social environment. In the heyday of the Romans, Greeks and Egyptians you were not allowed to be a soldier, politician or marry anyone with a pedigree unless you owned property.

It was considered gauche to be a merchant or god forbid, a manufacturer of products. Of course, sales was absolutely out of the question. If you earned your living from any one of these you were considered simply part of the Head Count, and were just not to be seen among polite society.

Even our own founding fathers deemed it essential that anyone wanting to vote must own land. That was not such an easy accomplishment in those days. For one thing, people who already owned land held onto it. These were the original settlers who, as they made their way across the fruited plains, staked out their piece of land and stayed on it until they died.

Since then our society has grown to be more generous. Or perhaps it was that at some point, like the Romans needing to head count soldiers in order to have an army, our politicians needed the votes in order to be elected.

Whatever the reasons, owning property has become so much easier that we have abandoned the quest of the original pioneers. Property owners of today seem scarcely aware that to own a home of your own is a luxury not generally taken for granted by people in other nations. They clearly understand that their wages are not equal to the prices of land or houses. In truth, prices in the United States are not commensurate with the income of most wage earners.

What then are the differences? Why can Americans own their own homes when the rest of the working world just dreams of the possibility? The answer is the American system of mortgage lending. I have been doing loans long enough to have heard every possible complaint about the current mortgage lending system, its complexities, disasters and blatant invasion into the privacy of your finances. Often I agree. However, say what you will, this paper intensive convolution is all that stands between you and paying rent for the rest of your working life.

Having said that, waiting for a mortgage to be approved and funded is much like waiting for a tooth to be pulled. You know that it will feel much better when it's done, but in the meantime it's an agony. This has to do with the fear about buying a home, fear of being turned down, getting what you want, being accepted as a creditworthy person. All that and much more enter into this single transaction. You might remember that this is a natural reaction of your nervous system and it's all right. Everyone reacts the same way.

There are a few tips I will share with you and perhaps during your next financing experience you'll find the road a little smoother to walk on.

- Have your own paperwork in order. Don't put yourself in the position of having to chase statements at the last minute. Have a list of your account numbers for both assets and liabilities. Know the name of the company you make payments to.
- Keep canceled checks and bank statements for two years.
- Know where the last two years of your tax returns are. If anything out of the ordinary happens in a year regarding your income, (unusually high or low, for instance) put a little note on your return that will help you explain what happened.
- If you pay child support a lender will ask to see your divorce decree or any child support agreement.
- Keep all paperwork relating to the purchase of your home and the mortgage loan together.

If you'll follow these simple rules you can relax while the lender does the rest of the work. One last thought about mortgage lenders; they are in business to fund loans. If there is a problem, work with them. They'll appreciate it, work even harder to make the loan, and you won't be paying off someone else's mortgage with your rent check anymore.

Barbra Alexander is a local home loan lender. She can be heard every Saturday from 8 to 9 a.m. Hosting the MONEY HOT-LINE on KSCO 1080 AM. You can reach Barbra directly by calling 831 649-8757.

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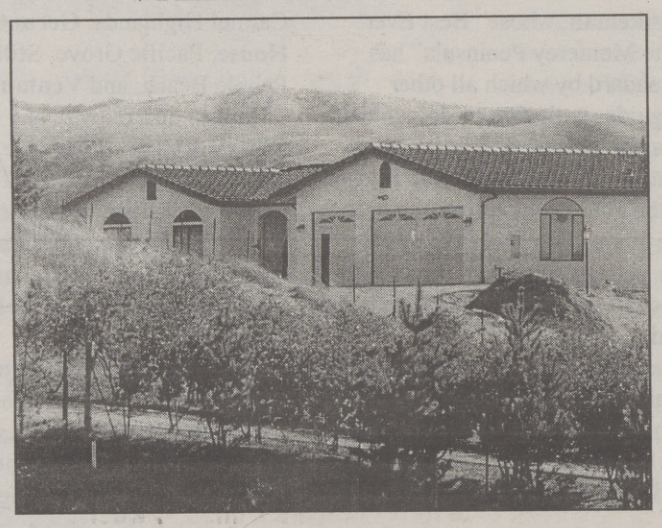

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Nascar Comes To Northern California

In the race world there are many different types of racing. People all over the world race cars, boats, motorcycles, barstools (well, not an officially sanctioned sport but fun none the less) and it is practically impossible to keep up unless you have no life. So that is what sports writers are for.

This is a strange breed of people who pretend to have a life and wrap themselves into their passion and call it a job. Although one sports writer I know is now covering Governor Davis at the capital for a large chain newspapers I feel that someday he will come back around.

I am very lucky. My publisher allows me to cover and write about almost any racing event that I wish to attend. She might flinch if I ever turned in the expense report for the barstool race so maybe next time I will just invite her along.

Where is all this going? Well, right now I feel I am at a loss waiting for the next event at Laguna Seca. (The Superbikes return to Laguna Seca July 9, 10 and 11th for the Mcgraw Superbike World Championships.) So I am forced to search for that fuzzy race feeling somewhere else.

What else can a race fan do? We are so lucky to live in this beautiful area we call the Monterey Bay and sometimes it is hard to leave but there are some other exciting and beautiful race tracks within a short driving distance.

One such place is Sears Point Raceway in Sonoma Ca. Most race fans know of Sears Point but the purpose of this column is to keep current race fans up to date with what's going on and to entice potential fans to see what all the excitement is about. The excitement that is coming to Sears Point is the Save Mart/Kragen 350 Nascar Winston Cup Race, June 24-27.

This is the only local (Northern California) stop for the Winston Cup Nascar races. Racers like Dale Earnhardt, Jeff Gordon, Bobby and Terry Labonte, Ward and Jeff Burton, Kyle Petty and Dale Jarret, the list just goes on and on. Last year's winner was Vallejo native Jeff Gordon. Gordon was off to a great start this season by winning Daytona but after struggling a bit and falling off the points lead I am sure he wants this race bad.

Sears Point Raceway is located off Highway 37 between Highway 80 in Vallejo and Highway 101 just a little past the Golden Gate Bridge. For ticket and race information call the track at 1-800-870-RACE. This race is free for kids 12 and under.

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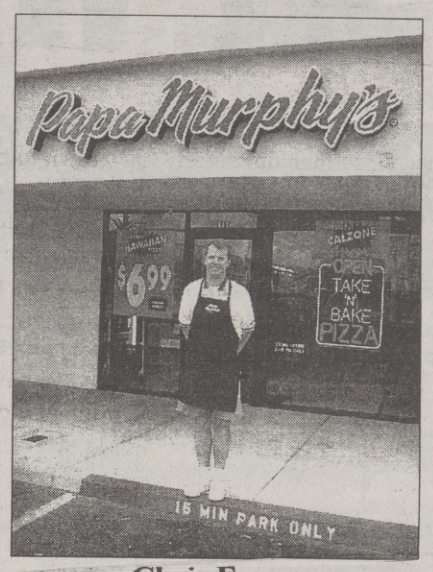

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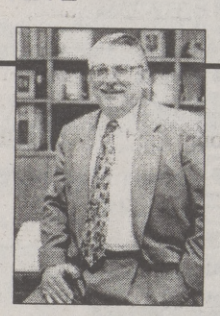
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The Future of Money *from page 4*

spending and little savings that most of the baby-boom generation engaged in throughout their life, they have made different decisions.

That would be their right of passage, but they seem so much older than we were at their age. Maybe even older than we are at this age. However, the concept of continuing their education, working and planning for their advanced years seems to be on the minds of the more advanced group of graduating seniors. No one should fault them for being more alert to the monetary process than we were.

There are a few practical rungs up the monetary ladder before developing a relationship with a stockbroker.

Perhaps it's time to pay less attention to media events designed to shock and frightens us about the fate of our children. It looks to me as though the same values exist in the majority of families that have always existed. Parents are caring for and teaching their children in the same manner they always have. The small number of teens who engage in criminal or anti-social behaviors get their fifteen minutes, while the majority make plans for their future responsibilities.

In hearing these young people talk about their future there is much to appreciate. Further, there is a continuing accountability for us to carefully preserve the world we have today. It is in our hands now to insure that there will be a continuity of lifestyle and a pleasant world for these marvelous people to inherit when their time arrives.

These people will carry the ball of monetary responsibility better than we did if only because they have watched us bungle, maneuver, bail and reinvent ourselves so many times that they are already too tired of the game to ever want to play.

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	Planet Gemini 373-1449	Live comedy 9pm	Live comedy 9pm	Live comedy 9pm	Salsa by the Sea with Will Echgoyen & Grupo Oasis	Closed	Closed	Los Aguirre with Grupo Fuego
	Sly McFly's 649-8050	Call for info.	The Blue Tones	NiteCry	Joe Lucido and his swingin' blues with Lucky-Do 9p.m.	Call for info.	Call for info.	Call for info.
MONTEREY	**Long Bar** 372-2244	Call for information	DJ Dancing	DJ Dancing	Call for information	Call for information	Jager Night $2.75 Jager shots	$2.00 Domestic Drafts
	McGarrett's 646-9244	The Christening House Music with DJ Jae	KBTU Night DJ Dancing Drinks $2 8-10	DJ Dance with DJ Jae & Joey da Juice 8pm	Closed	Male and Female Exotic dancers 8pm	Closed	Country Night with DJ Johnny Morgan 8pm
	Viva Monterey 646-1415	Open Mic	T&A 9pm-1am	T&A 9pm-1am	Video Dance 6pm-1am	Randy Baldwin and Friends 9pm-1am	Video Dance 6pm-1am	Whirlpool with DJ Ray 9pm
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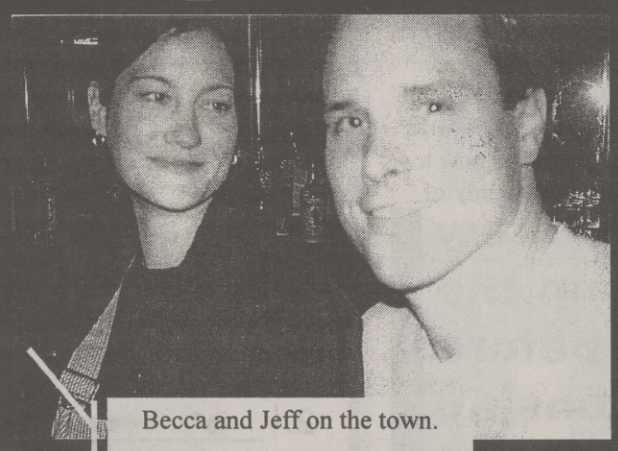
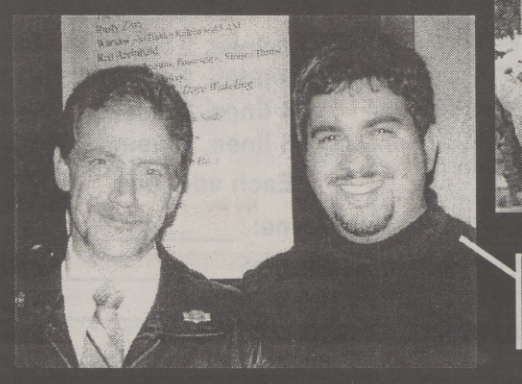


Becca and Jeff on the town.

The glamorous Grecco sisters.

Jeanette & Roger at Jeanette's opening at Da Giovanni's



These two rogues ought to look familiar to the Doc's and Long Bar crowd.

Will you be next? Look for Paparazzi Girl and catch her flashing. Or... flash yourself, flash your friends and send your pictures to us and we'll run them right here in Paparazzi Girl.
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THE SUN

AROUND TOWN
with Mac Talley

It's been a gas writing this column, making musicians with a sense of humor laugh, and making musicians with no sense of humor whine and complain. Message to all ego-bands: when you make it big in the real world, then I will bow down and worship you.

I recently heard the median age in Monterey was 55. Perhaps that explains the lack of nightlife and the failure of clubs to attract consistent crowds, or stay open. But just in the nick of time, the **Monterey Live Festival** comes to the Fairgrounds this Saturday. The brainchild of the guys at Doc's Nightclub, Monterey Live has the best rock lineup to hit our area in a long time. If you are unfamiliar with the English Beat's **Dave Wakeling, Southern Culture On The Skids, The Motels, The Hellecasters, The Uninvited, Candye Kane & Chuck E. Weiss**, please go stand in the corner Rip Van Winkle, because you're part of the problem!

The illustrious Candy Kane is but one of the bands to perform at the first Monterey Live concert this Saturday at the Fairgrounds.

Dave Wakeling has penned many big hits, like *Mirror In The Bathroom, Save It For Later, Tenderness & I Confess*, to name but a few. Anyone who's seen his packed shows at Doc's Nightclub, knows that Wakeling is still as great as he was in the 80's. Speaking of the 80's, **The Motels** had some major airplay on the radio and MTV with *Only The Lonely* and *Suddenly Last Summer*. Who could forget the sultry and alluring voice of singer Martha Davis? Not me! This will be a rare opportunity to see a classic 80's band in our midst. Southern Culture On The Skids, or SCOTS, have a huge following with their hits *Camel Walk & Double Shot Of My Baby's Love*. They mix the B-52's with The Cramps and add a hefty portion of white trash rockabilly--from a garage sinking into a swamp. They have a great female back-up singer and some wild stage antics revolving around food. They are one of those fun bands that just naturally seem to make people smile and dance. Don't miss them! If you loved early Tom Waits in the 70's, when he croaked funny, touching stories over a boozy barroom swing band, then make sure to see Chuck E. Weiss.

Chuck's CD *Extremely Cool* is just that. He has the whole hepcat in the bohemian nightclub thing down cold. He's an old buddy of Tom Waits and Ricki Lee Jones, and you know, the cork doesn't fall very far from the bottle... The Uninvited are currently probably the most popular band in Monterey. Even though they are from L.A. and are struggling to gain a foothold across the country, in our area they always draw a huge crowd with their local radio hits: *Too High For Supermarket, Going Down In Flames & Talked To God.* The Hellecasters are three guys with Fender guitars, and man do those cats wail in that roadhouse Americana style.

The great music at Monterey Live starts at 12 noon with Candye Kane. She is a walking John Waters movie and gives new meaning to "full-figured". Beyond her colorful past in the sex industry is her undeniable talent as a swing blues singer. She has a loyal following in the KPIG crowd, and her band inspires people to dance their best. Also at noon on the Doc Rickett's stage, local pop/rock eccentrics **Foamscape** will blast out an energetic set to wake up the neighborhood and guide planes in for a landing. They will be followed by local groups like **Unknown Jeromes** and **Amazon Mollies**, as well as talented imports like **Hate Dept., Eric Sardinas, Vegas DeMilo** and **Rayko**--that diminutive Asian lass in a cowboy hat and sports bra. Any rock fan who misses this festival should check into a convalescent home at once! Monterey Live on June 19th. The gates open at 11am, and there will be a surplus of tickets, so no one will be turned away.

This Sunday, June 20th, **Keiko Matsui** will give a concert at the Monterey Plaza Hotel on Cannery Row, as part of the Concerts by the Bay series launched by Sandy Shore. Keiko is America's # 1 female jazz artist (take that, Kenny G.) and is internationally acclaimed as a brilliant keyboardist/composer. This outdoor show, on the hotel's spacious deck with an incredible view, will be a perfect spot for a Father's Day outing. General seating is $40. Doors open at 2pm, music starts at 3pm with opener Jeff Kashiwa & Coastal Access. For advance tickets call 831-649-1223, or go to Do-Re-Mi or any

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Thursday
June 17

Music with Kenny Stahl
March Hare is sponsoring an evening of music with jazz flutist Kenny Stahl at the Monterey Museum of Art's Civic Center at 559 Pacific Street in Monterey from 5-7p.m. This event is free and refreshments will be served.

Wellness Workshop
A total wellness through raw foods workshop will be held at the Barnyard Community Room beginning at 7p.m. led by Pamela Masters. This meeting will serve as an orientation to Masters 4-week class beginning July 1. $10 in advance, $15 at the door. Call 624-7025 for reservations or more information.

Friday
June 18

Bell Choir
The Bell Choir from Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church will perform at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel at the corner of Paso Hondo and Village Drive in Carmel Valley Village at 7p.m. This event is free and open to all, for more information call 659-2278.

Surfin' Safari
The Boys and Girls Club at Carmel Valley invites 5th, 6th and 7th graders from All Saints, Carmel Middle, Junipero Serra, San Benancio, Santa Catalina, Stevenson Schools and Home Schoolers to Surfin Safari from 6-8p.m. at the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center, 25 Ford Road. A DJ will play the latest hits, snacks and drinks will be served and attendees can play pool and foos ball. Dress in surfwear! Free to Boys and Girls Club members, $5 for non-members. For more information call 659-2308.

Philip Gelb Performance
Philip Gelb will perform at 7:00 p.m. at the Martin LaBorde Gallery between Lincoln and Dolores on Sixth Avenue in Carmel. Gelb's solo concerts are a combination of traditional Japanese music, Honkyoku from 2 different schools of shakuhachi playing, Meian Ryu and Kinko Ryu and contemporary compositions and improvisations. Honkyoku is a Buddhist music that goes back several hundreds of years. Compositions by Duke Ellington, John Coltrane, Ornette Coleman, John Cage and Philip Gelb often come up in his solo performances. For more information call 620-1150.

Saturday
June 19

Rummage Sale
Carmel Valley's giant rummage sale returns this year to the Trail and Saddle Club Saturday from 9am-4pm. Proceeds benefit the Carmel Valley Historical Society and wildlife. Come early for the best bargains.

Hike into Redwood Canyon
Join a moderate hike into Redwood Canyon for lunch. Meet at the Garland Ranch Park Visitor Center at 9am for a morning a good exercise. Call Cynthia Chaplin at 484-0244 for more information.

Poetry Chill-Out #4
Aaron Yamaguchi, Shigin poet/storyteller from Chico will be one of the features of ALCHEMY: Chill-Out #4, an evening of poetry and music at the Media Room, 472 Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove. The show will also feature poet Jessamay Howell, fiddler Heidi Schwabe from San Francisco, Chico pianist Alex Belden and host d.j. fez vs. i.s. Indonesian finger foods and exotic treats provided. For more info, reply to Pedicab Productions: ismail@mbay.net

Jazz
Dave Frishberg and the Herb Geller Trio will perform at 7:30 p.m. at The Jazz Store, 236 Crossroads Blvd in the Crossroads, Carmel. Tickets are $25, for reservations or more information call 624-6432

Sunday
June 20
Happy Father's Day!

Concert by the Bay
Sandy Shore presents Keiko Matsui with Jeff Kashiwa on the outdoor deck of the Monterey Plaza Hotel. Showtime is 3p.m., tickets are $40

available in advance by calling 649-1223, at Do Re Mi and all BASS outlets.

K-9 Beach Party
Carmel's "DC" will host his annual Carmel Beach Party beginning at 6p.m. The festivities will be held at Carmel Beach at the bottom of 12th and Scenic. All area dogs are invited to join in the fun with their masters. DC's humans, David Potigian and Clark Coppock encourage attendees to bring food and money, donations will benefit the SPCA. For more information call the SPCA at 373-2631.

Monday
June 21

Films in the Forest
Starring James Dean, Natalie Wood, Sal Mineo and James Backus. This classic film forever links James Dean to the restless 1950's generation. 3 Academy Award nominations. Films start at dusk, about 8:30p.m., at Carmel's Outdoor Forest Theater. For information phone 626-1681 or 624-2522.

Tuesday
June 22

Chamber of Commerce Mixer
A Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce Mixer hosted by the Mid-Valley Shopping Center will be held from 5:30-7:30pm at the Mid-Valley Shopping Center. For reservations or information, call 659-4000.

Films in the Forest
A 1953 "hysterically bad" 3-D movie back by popular demand. Films start at dusk, about 8:30p.m., at Carmel's Outdoor Forest Theater. For more information phone 626-1681 or 624-2522.

Wednesday
June 23

Republican Women's Lunch
The Monterey Bay Republican Women Federated will hold a luncheon at 11:30 at the Corral de Tierra Country Club, 81 Corral de Tierra Road in Salinas. The scholarship chair will present scholarships to three local area high school graduates. The cost is $18 per person which includs lunch. For reservations or more information call 647-9225.

Films in the Forest
3-D night, catch Clint Eastwood in his first screen role - sequil to last summer's "Creature From the Black Lagoon." Films start at dusk, about 8:30p.m., at Carmel's Outdoor Forest Theater. For more information phone 626-1681 or 624-2522.

Ongoing Events

Through June 19

Golf with Alan Shepard
The Western Stage presents "Golf with Alan Shepard" by Carter Lewis a comedy-drama. Showtimes are Friday and Saturday at 8p.m. and Sunday at 2p.m. at the Western Stage Main Stage at Hartnell College, 156 Homestead Ave. in Salinas. Call 755-6816 for more information.

Through July 4
Theater
The Unicorn Theater presents "The Not so Grim Fairy Tales" including "The brave Little Tyler" and "The Fox and the Wolf". For showtimes and more information call 649-0259.

Through September 5
Photo Exhibit
The Persistence of Color by Jeffrey Becom and Lucas Blok will be on display at the Civic Center, 559 Pacific Street in Monterey. For more information call 372-5477.

Get Involved

4th of July Volunteers
The City of Monterey is seeking volunteers to help with its 12th annual 4th of July parade and festivities. Volunteers are needed for 2-hour shifts for parade prompters, traffic barricades, handing out recycling bags, and beach monitors. On July 5th the annual beach clean-up will be held beginning at Wharf II from 9a.m.-noon. Call the City of Monterey Volunteer Services Program at 646-3719.

ON THE FOOD FRONT
with McTavish

The Scotsman Signs A Neutrality Pact At Lugano

It was a cold night in late May... (What else is new this year in Monterey?) Like any American, I hadn't eaten anything for several minutes and was starved for an infusion of food-matter. Then I remembered I was a restaurant reviewer, which caused me to scan the vast wastelands of my mind for the perfect warm meal befitting the sorry state of our spring weather. A phone call from my editor Frida reminded me of my duty and the ever encroaching deadline, so in a flash I decided: Lugano's Swiss Bistro. Yes, you are probably aware of that fine restaurant tucked down under the windmill at the Carmel Barnyard, but when was the last time you actually ventured inside?

Lugano's has been owned and run by chef Andre Lengacher and his wife Nargis for three and a half years. In that time, they have become an institution, providing a friendly Swiss atmosphere and authentic cooking from the neutral-land of yodeling and lederhosen.

Frida--former Abba singer--met me at the Barnyard to keep an eye on my liberal spending policies. (Just as every politician needs their yes-men, every columnist must have a no-woman.) Upon entering Lugano's, we were immediately overwhelmed by the pungent scent of melted cheese. The reason for that intoxicating fog is because fondues are the specialty of the house. Once you get used to it and become one with the cheese, it's really not unpleasant at all--though your reputation may precede you in a most aromatic fashion when you venture out into the world. We were soon ensconced at a table under the protective care of Marco, our server for the evening. A former friend from the Naval School had raved about Lugano's beef barley soup, so I immediately ordered it. Perhaps he'd been subjected to those mind-altering tests the military often performs on their unwitting recruits, for in reality, it was a delicious vegetable barley soup ($4.50), both thick and flavorful. The only trace of beef was in the stock. If you like barley-based soups, theirs is one of the best examples on the central coast. My curvaceous editor decided to try the original Swiss fondue ($13.75). And so Marco brought over an elevated steel pot basking above a flame. Inside was a combination of gruyere, emmenthal and appenzeller cheese slowly bubbling from the heat. There was also a large bowl of crusty dipping bread chunks and long thin forks to avoid the trauma of "burning cheese fingers". A plate of mixed vegetables and fruits were provided for her too. She enjoyed the whole presentation, and I found the fondue especially tasty after it had cooked a while and started to congeal, forming a crusty surface layer.

Marco explained the strange rituals of fondue dining, which I won't spoil by revealing them in print. Suffice to say, that if a woman mistakenly drops her cube into the fondue, she loses a little lip gloss, but if a man does, he loses most of his wallet. But how could such traditions triumph over a legendary tight-fisted Scotsman? And since my editor Frida rules her newspaper with an iron hand, their was no tomfoolery to report that evening.

For my main course, I selected the turkey cordon-bleu ($14.75). This dietetic meal consists of a fried, flattened slab (schnitzel) of turkey, with smoked ham and gruyere cheese cooked inside it. To call this meal rich is an understatement! The whole schnitzel is coated in a crusty, bread-crumb covering. Though Lugano's does provide light fare for smaller stomachs and for vegetarians, the turkey cordon-bleu is one of their denser concoctions--which is exactly what I needed that evening. Marco was good enough to substitute their crispy roesti potatoes in place of cabbage or new potatoes. (Like wine, I prefer my potatoes a little bit more mature.) On my next visit, I plan to sample their renowned veal schnitzel ($16.75) because I've heard that it lives up to its legend.

One of the best new traditions that has been implemented at Lugano's for the last year, is their Tuesday night policy. Every Tuesday, all of their dinner entrees (ranging from $13 to $18) are available for a flat ten dollars! What thrifty bargain-hunter in their right mind would avoid such a special? And I can vouch that the portions are just as large as on any other night. Of course there's always plenty of tasty bratwurst, knockwurst and pork sausage on the menu to fill your stomach.

At the end of our splendid meal, Frida and I split the Matterhorn, a towering heap of vanilla ice-cream and meringue topped with hot chocolate sauce. If you can still move after eating a big Swiss dinner, this rich desert is highly recommended. When you're in the Barnyard area, make sure and visit Lugano's Swiss Bistro. I'm already dreaming of returning to try their fondue Bacchus: thinly sliced beef to cook in a Burgundy wine broth. Ah, that's the life... Wine, women and weinerschnitzel!

(Lugano serves lunch & dinner daily 11:30am - 9pm. Prices range from $6 to $19 Located in the Barnyard, Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Rd. Reservations: 626-3779.)

Around Town *continued from page 9*

Bass outlets. Make a day of it. Sandy really knows how to put on a show!

Just down City Council Row, I mean Cannery Row, Sly McFly's has expanded into a second room, alleviating the congestion that had plagued the narrow club. If they would listen to me (that's a laugh), they'd keep the second room as a quieter conversation lounge with a swinging door to muffle sound, and a plexi-glass window to see the band in the front room. Instead, the plan is to bring down a wall and keep the connecting doorway open, so that it will be just as loud throughout the club. I'm not an old fogey yet, but it is nice to have a safe haven from the high decibel level of live music. **The Blue Tones** come to Sly's on Friday. They have been influenced by everybody from Muddy Waters to Jimi Hendrix. They range in age from 13 to the old timer drummer, who is 16! Feeling ancient yet? These boys have been coached and taught by Stu Heydon of the Blues Persuaders. It should be fun, but will their fans be able to get into a bar? On Saturday, the fiery San Jose-based sextet Nitecry makes their debut at Sly's. They have been the most popular blues band in the South Bay for many years. They will appear later in the month at the Monterey Blues Festival.

Nitecry make their debut at Sly's this Saturday night.

Across the way at Bluefin Billiards, **Dizzy Burnette** teaches you how to swing dance on Thursday. Friday is the always popular **DJ dance party**, then Saturday features the return of **Unshakable**. The Monterey-based "funky world groove" band has Robi London on bass, Danyell London on guitar, and Donnie Nix (of Kyfe & Nectar fame) beating a new set of drums.

Don't forget the **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Pride Celebration** on Sat. June 19th at Laguna Grande Park in Seaside. There will be retail booths, prizes, food, DJ's all day as well as live music. Blues and rock singer **Blue O'Brien** will perform at 10:45am. Have you heard her yet? Blue can really belt them out, and the flashy guitar player in her backup band isn't chopped Brussels sprouts either. Santa Cruz band **Crush** will also be playing that day. For info, call 655-2325.

Steve Vagnini sent me publicity about the All-Star Band Competition at the Fairgrounds this Summer, but there was no date on the press sheet. Anyway, it's only $15 to enter your band and there are big cash prizes in 4 categories (blues, rock, country, ethnic/acoustic) as well as recording studio time at Carmel Digital. It sure sounds better than that debacle at Whitey's last year. The deadline is July 1, so for further info call 384-2609 or 646-0351.

Oh yeah, on Saturday there will be an evening of poetry & song at **Alchemy: Chill-Out #4** in the Media Room in P.G. This one will feature "the wondrous poet-essa" **Jessamay Howell** and Celtic & neo-classical fiddler **Heidi Schwabe**. Show at 8pm, tickets are $20.

Then there's **Jill Cohn** at Borders in Sand City tonight (Thursday) at 7:30. The Seattle-based songwriter is touring in support of her 4th release *The Absence Of Moving*. Her lyrics cover consumerism to violence to self-discovery.

If you're going to Big Sur this weekend, stop by Fernwood Resort (26 miles south of Carmel) to catch local favorites **Jonah & The Whale Watchers** doing their crowd-pleasing reggae tunes from 9pm until 1am. There's a special vibe at Fernwood that just doesn't exist anywhere else!

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DOROTHY Zoe Draper

Nostalgia

One Saturday, my friend Karen Sanders asked me to go on a tour to Tor House, Robinson Jeffers old stone house and tower by the sea.

The idea delighted me as I hadn't been to Tor House for 56 years. The experience this time was deeply nostalgic.

Karen is a beautiful woman, and highly intelligent. She was the Executive Director to the President of the Foundation (for Community Hospital). But she wanted to open her own business called E³ Organizing - E³ is for easy, economic, and efficient.

We drove to Tor House. I was filled with strong old-time memories. It was all so long ago, Tor House, and my friends the Tend Kusters who built a stone house right behind Tor House. When Ted built the Golden Bough Theatre, I used to usher for him for free and get to see the movies afterwards.

At Tor House, we were met by a very efficient agreeable docent who was to show us about. There were 3 young men in the party, and another lady.

As we went through the house, I remembered how cold it always was. The fireplace heated the whole house, which is full of books, photographs of friends (all of them famous), objects from their trips to China and to Ireland, where they came from. There are interesting clay pots and bowls in the dining room. The docent explained that Robinson Jeffers always worked upstairs in the bedroom in the morning on his poetry and Una sat at a small desk below the stairs doing accounts.

It sounds claustrophobic, almost as though Una, a formidable woman, was on guard.

The gardens are beautiful, well kept up, full of marvelous flowers, and, like the houses, full of artifacts and brought back from travels.

Outside, in the garden, the docent asked one of the gentlemen, to read aloud to us, one of the Jeffers poems. It is a tribute to his dog who had died. It is a beautiful poem, full of deep compassion, love and reverence for dogs.

As the others climbed the tower, too steep for my cane, and I had seen it before, I sat in the small office and let memories come back. I remembered walking by the sea one day and watching Jeffers putting huge stones in a wagon. I remembered the twins, Garth and Donavan, their playhouse next door, and how romantically handsome Donavan became. Like every young woman who knew him, I had a fervent crush on him.

He grew up to marry Lee, who now lives in the Jeffers house and who came to say goodbye to us.

I asked the docent if Jeffers had ever known my favorite Irish poet, William Butler Yeats. Indeed he had. Yeats lived in a stone tower in Ireland and the tower inspired Jeffers to build his own.

In this period of Carmel's history, many interesting people came here.

I was first taken to meet the Jeffers by my housemate, Jamie Boone. She was the daughter of the writer Jimmy Hopper, who was one of the very first people to settle and buy land in Carmel. Una was a formidable but warm person to meet. Jeffers was cold. He simply would not, or couldn't, mingle with people.

In this period of Carmel's history, many interesting people came here. Salvador Dali, for whom I modeled, his gorgeous wife Gala, holding court at Sande's house, enchanting all the handsome officers at Fort Ord. Henry Miller came to live in Big Sur, and my long time friend, Anais Nin, came to join him. The Greek artist, Jean Verdu, was giving wild costume parties in his red barn in New Monterey. Ed Ricketts was giving his parties in his laboratory where everyone simply passed out and John Steinbeck was here. I have written before how these two drunks, Ed and John, serenaded me at 4 a.m. and got me thrown out of my apartment.

WHAT'S NEXT? by Mel Vercoe

Seagulls on a Bombing Raid

I suppose most seagulls are friendly. Some of them even have a sense of humor. Several years before the Pearl Harbor Attack some of our battleships were coming into San Francisco Bay for a friendly visit.

Our Marine Detachment was lined up on the foredeck, in our dress blues, (the tight collar uniform with shiny brass buttons, and the white cap, and shined shoes.) After dropping anchor just south of the Bay Bridge, some of us could go on liberty in San Francisco.

It didn't ruin my day, but one seagull, probably by accident, dropped a load that got on my cap, the front of my uniform, my rifle, and my shoes.

Our bombing runs in Yugoslavia reminded me of that seagull. Accuracy was secondary. Maybe that seagull had a compelling urge to get rid of his load, like our aircraft crews, just following orders.

Well, we had to do something. Some of the people in Yugoslavia, (the "bad guys") were killing some of the "good guys" without asking if it was OK, and the U.S., (that's us), being experts in crime suppression, (we only have 25,000 murders per year), picked itself to go to Europe to correct the problem.

I would guess that most of the people in Yugoslavia, including all of the "bad guys", will be trying to get out of there, heading for asylum in the U.S.A., before our crime- stoppers get into "fast speed forward" gear on their roads and streets.

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YOUR WORLD & MINE by Araby Colton

An Informed Citizenry?

Yep, that's what Thomas Jefferson said. Democracy required "an informed citizenry."

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So, are we informed?

Well, at Sonoma State University there is an activity called Project Censored. Under the directorship of Professor Peter Phillips, more than 125 faculty, student researchers, interns and community experts list the most censored stories of the year. The final 25 are ranked in order of significance by a panel of national judges, including members of the media, authors and educators.

Each year, Seven Stories Press publishes their book "The News That Didn't Make the News." You can get it in bookstores, or order it by calling 800-596-7437. For a free pamphlet listing the top 25 stories, send a self addressed, stamped envelope to Project Censored, Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, CA 94928-3609.

So, what is the first, and most important news story in this year's book? The Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI).

Says Project Censored: "Some developments in the course of history have such potential to impact nations and humans that it would be irresponsible to ignore them. Yet few mainstream news organizations have reported on MAI, which would set in place a vast series of protections for foreign investment… the MAI would threaten national sovereignty by giving corporations near equal rights to nations. This agreement has the potential to place profits ahead of human rights and social justice, and that is why our judges names this story the No. 1 censored or unreported story of 1998.

"MAI, hatched in secret negotiations that began in 1995 among the U.S. and 28 other nations, could thrust the world economy much closer to a system where international capital would hold free reign over the democratic values and socio-economic needs of people. The MAI will also have devastating effects on a nation's legal, environmental and cultural sovereignty. It will force countries to relax or nullify human, environmental and labor protections to attract investment and trade. Necessary measures such as food subsidies, control of land speculation, agrarian reform, and health and environmental protections can be challenged as 'illegal' under the MAI. This same illegality is extended to community control of forests, local bans on the use of pesticides, clean air standards, limits on mineral, gas and oil extraction, and bans on toxic dumping.

...the MAI would threaten national sovereignty by giving corporations near equal rights to nations.

"More radical than NAFTA or GATT, MAI would thrust the world much closer to a transnational laissez-faire system where international corporate capital would hold free reign over the democratic wishes and socioeconomic needs of people."

And that's only the first on the Project Censored list. There are 19 more, all destructive of our desired way of life.

You won't be able to say "no" to the cutting down of our forests, you won't be able to save wildlife, you won't have anything to say about gas emissions, or global warming, etc., etc.

If you really want to know how what you read is decided, you should read "Media Monopoly," by Ben H. Bagdikian, Pulitzer prize-winning journalist, faculty member of the Graduate School of Journalism at the University of California, Berkeley.

Consider: General Electric owns NBC, Disney owns ABC, Westinghouse owns CBS, and Rupert Murdock owns Fox. And the big newspaper chains are buying up the little newspapers faster than you can say Jack Robinson.

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Dave Frishberg/Herb Geller Trio

Saturday June 19

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Barbra Morrison Quartet

Saturday June 26

Blues vocalist Barbara Morrison is a favorite on the Monterey Peninsula, having performed at the Monterey Blues Festival six years in a row. She is back again, and The Jazz and Blues Company is proud to present her in an intimate setting that will be an unforgettable evening of music. Her performances have been widely acclaimed and her material includes jazz and blues classics that are sure to please. She has performed with Jimmy Smith, Eddie "Cleveland" Vinson and Johnny Otis among others. Her current CD release on Chartmaker Records is entitled "Know How to do It".

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Community Watershed Council Moves Forward

A group of approximately 60 Carmel Valley property owners, ranchers, government agencies and civic groups took the first step in the formation of the Carmel River Watershed Council on May 24 at a meeting held at the Carmel Valley Trail and Saddle Club.

Originally convened in January by Congress member Sam Farr, the group met several times over the last few months to learn more about the process of forming a Watershed Council. The group discussed the need for a community-based effort with broad participation by land owners and those with an interest in the watershed. One of the main concerns is restoring health to the Carmel River and its habitat. The Council will be a forum where we can keep abreast of federal and state regulations and requirements under the Endangered Species Act and the Clean Water Act. Other concerns could include education about what makes a healthy river, river bank restoration, steelhead rescues, and preservation of other species and habitat .

Giving their assent to the formation of a council, the group decided to conduct four community meetings throughout the Carmel River Watershed to contact those within the reach of the watershed to find out what they think the concerns and issues are and to locate additional stakeholders who would like to become involved in the Council's efforts. Meetings will be held to solicit information from the Tularcitos area in the upper watershed, from Cachagua, and from the upper and lower Carmel Valley/Monterey Peninsula areas.

I encourage everyone with an interest in the health of the Carmel River to come to the meeting closest to your area of interest and let us know what you are concerned about and what you think is important. We are seeking broad participation from the whole community. After these meetings are held, the information will be collated and brought back to the larger group to develop a mission statement, goals and objectives.

Public meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. as follows:

June 28 - Cachagua area
Cachagua Community Center
37210 Nason Road

August 9- Mid-Upper Carmel Valley area
Carmel Valley Community Youth Center, 25 Ford Road, Carmel Valley

August 11- Tularcitos Creek area
Rana Creek Ranch, E. Carmel Valley Rd.

August 12- Lower Carmel Valley and Monterey Peninsula area
Rancho Canada Golf Club Fiesta Room, 1 mile east of Highway 1 on Carmel Valley Road

FIESTA '99

By Chuck McKay, Fiesta Chairman

One of the principal features of the Fiesta is the wide array of arts & crafts booths; vendors coming from many places. Jewelry to furniture, clothes to face painting, paper machie to wood, each presents something unique and personally crafted.

Assembling the artists is no small task. Art & June Taylor took on the task when the Fiesta began in 1990. The Taylor's saw this as a chance to get involved, learn more about their neighbors and the valley. They are so well versed in the details of the Fiesta, that they are also the initial point of contact for anyone making telephone enquiries. Their involvement is complete. They welcome questions, send out vendor applications, screen the returns - and then, set up the park and remain tied to the artists for the duration of their visits - and after.

Pat Fox will return from Spreckels with his original painted coins; Lannette Berge will paint children's faces with her special touches; and the Poseys return with their wonderful children's costumes.

If you would like to be a vendor August 7/8 in the park, call the Taylors at 659-2038. And, of course, come out and enjoy the festivities. Follow Saturday morning's parade into the park for entertainment, shopping, food, fun and games. And rejoin us for "Family Day" on Sunday - the pancake breakfast, 10K/5K races, swim events, dog show, music, food booths, arts & crafts, kids games, a climbing wall, and other things still being developed, all culminating in the drawing for the grand prize- a trip to Hawaii for 2.

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Village Events

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Bell Choir to Perform

The bell choir from Laude Chapel Presbyterian Church will perform at the Carmel Valley Community Chapel on Friday, June 18 at 7:30p.m. The choir is a group of 15 high school students who are on tour visiting and ringing in churches along the coast of California.

The Carillon Ringers have toured churches, schools and retirement centers across the country and were invited to play at Disney World in Florida and have toured England. The choir rings a 73-note (six octave) set of Schulmerich Handbells, cast in Sellersville, Pennsylvania and a three octave set of chimes.

The event is free and the Chapel is located at the corner of Paso Hondo and Village Drive in Carmel Valley Village.

Rummage Sale

Carmel Valley's giant rummage sale returns this year to the Trail and Saddle Club Saturday from 9am-4pm. Proceeds benefit the Carmel Valley Historical Society. This event always has lots of great treasures! Come early for the best selections but stay late for the last minute 'fire sale'.

Surfin' Safari

The Boys and Girls Club invites 5th, 6th and 7th graders from All Saints, Carmel Middle, Junipero Serra, San Benancio, Santa Catalina, Stevenson Schools and Home Schoolers to Surfin Safari on Friday, June 18th from 6-8p.m. at the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center, 25 Ford Road. A DJ will play the latest hits, snacks & drinks will be served and attendees can play pool & foos ball. Dress in surfwear! Free to Boys and Girls Club members, $5 for non-members. For more information call 659-2308.

COPS

June 2

Carmel: Man reported seeing a domestic argument in a vehicle at the intersection of Carmel Valley Road and Carmel Rancho Blvd. A Welfare Check was made at the address on the Vehicle Registration, but the vehicle wasn't present.

Carmel: Woman reported license plates missing from company truck while it was parked in the underground parking lot. Theft occurred over Memorial Day Weekend.

Carmel: Man reported he was shoved in the chest twice on June 1 by another restaurant employee. This occurred during an argument in the restaurant's kitchen.

Carmel Valley: Report of Parent administering severe corporal punishment to a child resulting in unjustifiable physical pain and bruising.

Carmel Valley: Report of unknown person ripping off the exterior cover of an electrical outlet on a residence. Suspect(s) also kicked in 2 metal gutter down spouts.

Carmel Valley: Man reported an employee at a construction site shot himself in head with a nail gun. The employee was taken by ambulance to Community Hospital where he was in stable condition.

Monterey/Salinas: A man reported he lost his cell phone somewhere between Monterey and Salinas. He thinks it may have fallen out of his jacket.

Carmel Valley: Manager of the Mid-Valley Safeway reports a man shoplifted a bottle of vodka on 6/1 and also on 6/2/99. This is the 3rd and 4th incident of the man shoplifting in the past few days.

June 3

Carmel: Woman reported seeing the shadow of a subject through her bedroom window. Area check was made and nothing suspicious was found.

Carmel Valley: Man previously reported shoplifting found to be driving under the influence. Arrested by CHP.

June 4

Pebble Beach: Man reports that his wife had not been taking her medication and, therefore, has threatened to burn their house down and jump off of their balcony. She was transported by ambulance to CHOMP.

Carmel: Person reported an 11 year old juvenile mentioned hurting other people with a knife. The juvenile did not possess a knife and the parents were informed of the incident.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported being concerned about several phone calls and contacts she has had with a self-admitted sex offender.

Carmel: Resident reports finding a flaming bag of dog excrement on their porch. The fire was extinguished without injury or damage.

Carmel: Officer responded to a 911 hang up and found a rear door unsecure. A check of the residence revealed no one was home. The house was secured.

June 7

Carmel: Man reported receiving a threatening phone call from a woman.

Carmel: Woman reported she believes some neighbors are encroaching on her property.

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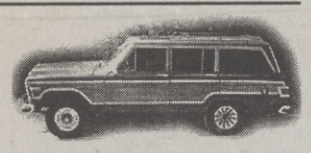

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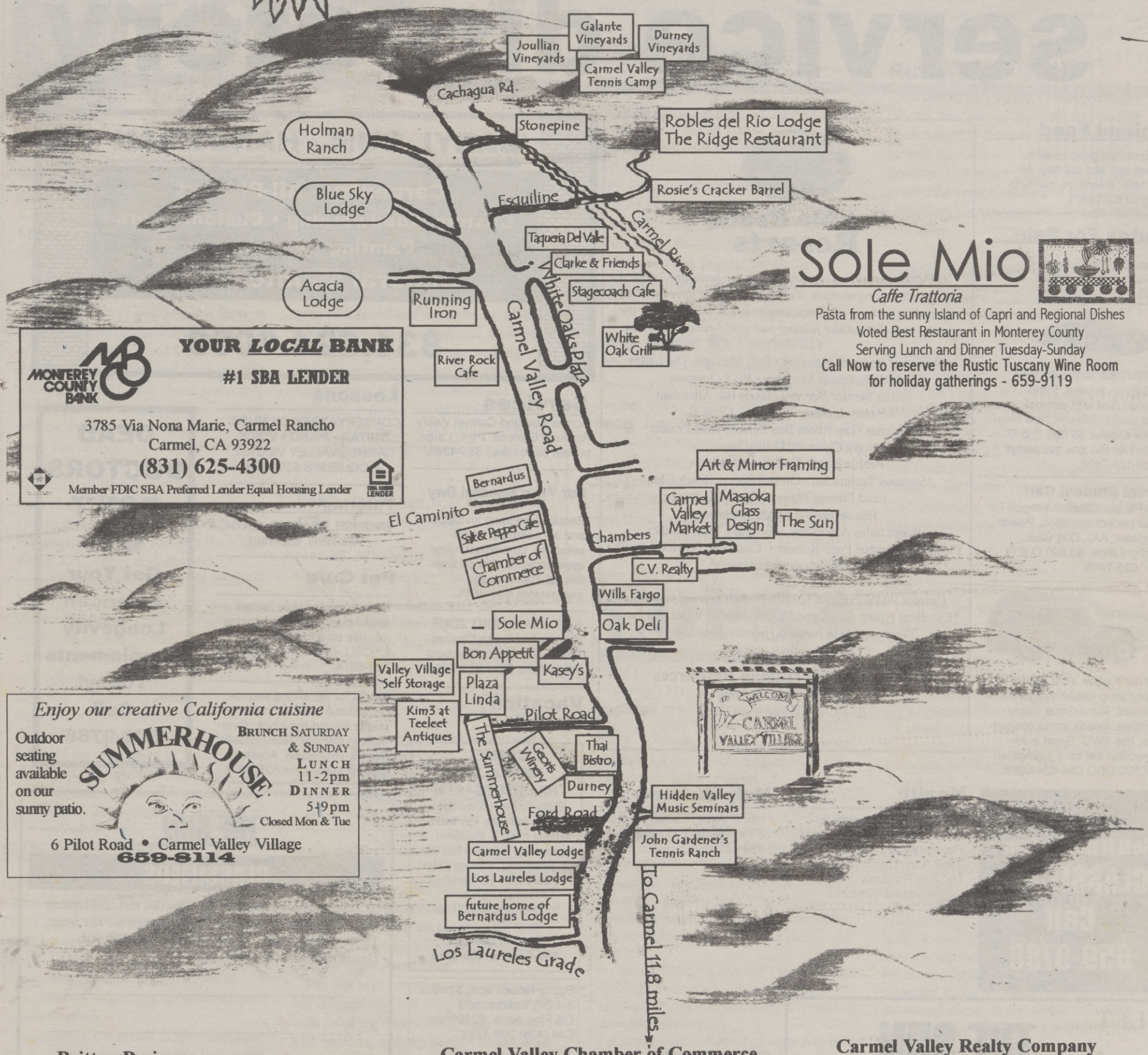

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